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1. (SBU) Econ Counselor delivered reftel points jointly with the EU's Economic Counselor in Morocco Jerome Cassier in a February 15 meeting with Mohammed Benjelloun, head of the WTO Division at the Ministry of External Commerce. Benjelloun declined to provide an official response pending inter-ministerial coordination on the issue. He said, however, that in principle Morocco is supportive of any measure that reduces non-tariff barriers to trade and that increases the "transparency" of labelling and other requirements. He committed to gather his colleagues from other concerned Ministries to review the proposal in detail and to provide us with an answer as quickly as possible.

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